

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Name.....
Address.....
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Post Code.....
Email.....
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Signed.....

Type of Membership Please tick

Individual £15 per year
Couple £25 per year
Corporate £250 per year
(Suggested minimum subscription)

To reduce costs, we would really appreciate

a Banker's Order
Alternatively, please make your cheque payable to: 'Dorset Historic Churches Trust'

Amount £.....

GIFT AID DECLARATION

I am a UK taxpayer and wish all my donations to the Dorset Historic Churches Trust to be treated as Gift Aid so that the Trust may claim refund of the tax paid on these sums.

Signed..... Date.....

Please send this form to the Friends' Secretary:

Ms Susan Smith
Winterborne Cottage
Minchington
Dorset DT11 8DH

Email: susan.smith310@tesco.net



Banker's Order

Please complete and send this to the Friends' Secretary and **not** to your Bank.

Bank.....
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Bank's Address.....
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Post Code.....
Sort Code.....
Account No.....

Please Pay: Lloyds TSB Bank PLC
1, High West Street
Dorchester DT1 1UG
Account No: 00412179
Sort Code: 30-92-69
Reference: Friends of DHCT

The sum of £.....
(In words).....
Starting from.....
and annually*/monthly* until further notice
Signature.....
Date.....

* Please circle your choice.

If you are a UK taxpayer, it is usually possible for us to increase the value of your donation by 25 pence in every pound. We will be most grateful if you will sign the Gift Aid Declaration overleaf.

The Benefits of a Legacy to Dorset Historic Churches Trust

Why a Bequest?

A bequest is an efficient way for many people to make a more substantial donation to the Trust than their present circumstances may permit.

A substantial gift to the Trust can be made without affecting your family's current security.

A bequest is not liable to Inheritance Tax.

How to make a Bequest.

You may wish to consider three common forms of legacy.

A legacy of money.

This is a gift of a named amount. Inflation may erode its value over the years but this can be avoided by making provision for the amount to be increased automatically in line with the prices index.

A legacy of property.

It is possible to leave gifts in the form of land, shares, pictures and other valuables. The Trust would sell the asset at an appropriate time and apply the proceeds to its work.

A Residuary legacy.

This is part or all of your Estate after all other legacies and obligations have been fulfilled.

However you decide to help the Trust, either by an amendment to your existing Will or by codicil, you should seek professional legal advice. In the meantime the Chairman or the Honorary Secretary would be pleased to take questions and to give guidance on these matters. Their details are on the trust's website: www.dhct.org.uk



Beamminster

Conserving the past

Enriching the future

FRIENDS OF DORSET CHURCHES



Holnest



Hinton St Mary



Thomas Coram - Lyme Regis



Charminster



Sutton Waldron



Monkton Wyld

THE FRIENDS OF DORSET CHURCHES

 Dorset Historic Churches Trust Registered Charity Number: 282790

Chairman: Simon Pomeroy

There are more than 400 historic churches and chapels in Dorset, nearly 300 of which date back to the Reformation and some even before the Norman Conquest.

Since our foundation in 1960 we have provided over one million pounds through grants or loans to over 250 churches and historic buildings from all denominations of the Christian faith.

Originally concerned with churches over 150 years old, in recent years we have recognised the significance of Gothic Revival, Edwardian and early 20th Century architectural styles. This has greatly increased our involvement with churches and chapels of all denominations across the County.

We are a registered charity receiving and providing funding entirely on a voluntary basis with administrative expenses of less than 2%. We get no financial support from the Diocese, Local Authorities or English Heritage.

Visit our website: www.dhct.org.uk for full details of all aspects of our work.



Kingston

Many of the County's churches are of unique and significant architectural interest and are repositories of national and local history as well as being an integral part of community life.

Our churches receive little financial support from government and, facing the need to comply with Health and Safety regulations and escalating building costs, the task of maintenance and renewal is often beyond the resources of smaller, particularly rural, parishes.

This is where the Dorset Historic Churches Trust comes in. In order to continue to donate up to £100,000 per annum to needy churches we are asking for your help. Please read on to see how you can help, or become a Friend and be part of this challenge.

By making a bequest. There are many advantages in doing this, notably that a bequest is not liable to Inheritance Tax. But above all you will be contributing to the preservation of an inheritance going back many centuries. (Overleaf there are details about bequests)

By making a donation. The needs of the churches are pressing and you may prefer to make a gift now, one that will be appreciated during your lifetime. (Please fill in the Donation Form and Gift Aid declaration)

By making regular annual or monthly payments by cheque or Banker's Order. (Please fill in the Banker's order and Gift Aid declaration)

By helping us increase our membership. If you are already a member, we ask you to recruit at least one new member each year. If you are not, we invite you to join us now. The annual minimum subscription is £15 for individuals, £25 for couples and PCCs and £250 for corporates.

And finally by volunteering your time.

You can support our annual Ride + Stride sponsored cycle ride each September or help otherwise in the wide variety of tasks that the Trust undertakes. Please send details of your particular interests or skills to:

Ms Susan Smith
Winterborne Cottage
Minchington
Dorset DT11 8DH

or contact us through the website:

www.dhct.org.uk

Some advantages of Membership.

- Receive the DHCT Annual Report and Newsletters
- Receive a complimentary Annual DHCT Calendar
- Receive details about special Friends' events

Single Donation

To be used by an individual, family, corporate or PCC or other church organisation for a single payment.

I/We wish to help the work of Dorset Historic Churches Trust and enclose a cheque made payable to DHCT:

Amount £

Title. Name

Address.....

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